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## LIVES SAVED.

### 30 MORE "KOCHOW" SURVIVORS.

## OWNERS' REPORT.

### Captain and Crew Remain in Locality of Disaster.

### CHINESE INVESTIGATING SALVAGE POSSIBILITIES.

Thirty more survivors of the British river steamer "Kochow" have been accounted for, materially decreasing the first estimates of lives lost. In fact, the owners go so far as to state that the number of those who perished is less than ten. On the other hand, an unofficial statement by the Police—based upon the word of two deportees—places the number at 110!

Captain Morgan, the other two British officers and eleven Chinese members of the crew are remaining at the locality where the "Kochow" sank at about 1 a.m. on the night of June 9-10, namely, off Wangmoon white light.

Preliminary investigations as to whether salvage will be possible are in the hands of a Chinese syndicate.

### NUMERICAL DISCREPANCIES.

On inquiry in official sources, the "China Mail" was informed that the stipendiary Marine Magistrate will not decide whether an inquiry is necessary or not, until Captain David Morgan returns to Hong Kong and is interviewed.

Mr. Chan Sik-cheong, principal of the Chuen Lee S.S. Co., owners of the "Kochow," told the "China Mail" that there were about 210 passengers on board and that the crew numbered about 90, making a total of about 300 souls. The number accounted for is made up as follows:

220 brought down by the "Kong Ning."  
30 who remained on the Wangmoon Customs hulk and a junk and were brought to Hong Kong by the "Kwong Ying."  
30 landed by junk at Shekki. 14 still standing by (including the three British officers).  
294 total.

### Salvage Hopes.

It is believed, however, that there is a discrepancy in the figures. It is practically impossible to take a complete account of the number rescued as some went away themselves and others went to Shekki or Wangmoon. The casualties are considerably less than the original estimate of 60. The Naval authorities say "loss of life unknown, but believed small."

Latest advice showed the "Kochow" to be with her top awash, but parts of the funnel and masts showing. The owners have not given up hope. Divers and others will be sent up, to leave Hong Kong this evening. These will be provided by the Woo Hing syndicate, which a few years ago, effected the surprising if unorthodox flotation of the "Heungshan," after she had been disposed of for the proverbial song. The end to that adventure was the bad times which caused the syndicate to forego most of the anticipated profits.

The fourteen of the crew standing by will endeavour to co-operate with the divers. After a report to the owners, it will then be known if salvaged operations will be undertaken.

### Place Well Known.

The "Kochow" was insured for \$32,000 with the Hong Nin Co. Her normal value was placed at about \$75,000.

From other sources, it is learned that H.M.S. "Nessus" was the first to respond to the S.O.S., but "Onslaught" soon came up, and also rendered valuable assistance.

Wangmoon is known generally for the Chinese Maritime Customs station there, also the navigation marks. It is where the Hong Kong steamboats enter the West River delta. After going along the passage from Wangmoon, the boats for Kongmoon branch off, while those for Wangmoon and West River ports continue.

Navigation is difficult there and many a vessel has been in difficulties there but has been re-floated. A strong current was running on Sunday morning, rendering rescue work extremely difficult.

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## MUKDEN BOMBS.

### "Mostly Thrown at Japanese."

#### NO CASUALTIES.

Chinese Police in Walled City Scared, and Flee!

Shanghai, To-day. Japanese reports from Mukden state that a number of bombs were thrown in various places in the walled city of Mukden on the evening of June 10.

Apparently, most of the bombs (according to the same reports) were aimed at Japanese offices and residences.

There were no casualties but it is stated that Japanese residents were terrified, while the Chinese police became frightened and disappeared. —Reuter.

[Note: The walled-in city is the Chinese part of Mukden, although there are Japanese there. It is two miles from the railway station. Then there is a Japanese settlement and a so-called foreign quarter where the Consulates and the foreign club are situated. Mukden is the capital of Manchuria.]

## HOUND RACING.

### A START MADE IN SOUTH AFRICA.

#### HUGE CROWD PRESENT.

Durban, Yesterday. Greyhound racing began in South Africa yesterday night when the South African Coursing Association staged the opening event at Chairwood.

There was a huge crowd of spectators. —Reuter.

### TWO DEPORTEES.

Their Version as Given to the Police.

The only reference to the "Kochow" disaster made in this morning's police reports was the following paragraph:

Two Chinese deportees, Tse Wai (45) of Macao and Ling Ho (33) of Ching Yin, who were banished for ten years to Wu-chow and left the Colony at 5.30 p.m. on June 9 on the s.s. "Kochow," reported to the police at Central Police Station at 12.30 p.m. yesterday (June 10).

The men stated that they were shipwrecked at 10 p.m. on June 9 at Tapmuin, in Chinese waters. They were rescued by a Chinese launch and later transferred to the s.s. "Kongning," which brought them to Hong Kong, arriving here at noon yesterday.

The report adds that at the time of the disaster, the "Kochow" carried 400 passengers, out of which number 110 lives were lost.

The report concluded with the statement that "further details are not yet available."

[Note: The Police estimate is based on the deportees' version.]

### SHIP'S HISTORY.

Pirated as Recently as Last September.

The "Kochow" was built locally at the Kwong Tak Cheong yard 13 years ago. She is of 504 tons gross and 301 tons net, and she flies the British flag. She has a Hong Kong passenger certificate for 500 steerage passengers, four cabin passengers and carried a crew of about eighty including three European officers, Captain D. Morgan, Mr. W. C. Becks (Chief Officer) and Mr. Higham (Chief Engineer).

The Chuen Lee S.S. Company of No. 7, New Market-street, are the owners.

This ill-fated vessel was pirated early in September last year on the Wuchow river, when Mr. R. Black, the chief engineer, was shot dead.

Owing to the sinking of this vessel, the following notification had been posted at the Harbour Office:

"S.S. 'Kochow' sunk and is dangerous to navigation in the approximate position—Wangmoon Light south 8 degrees east (Magnetic), left hand edge of Cliff Island south 12 degrees east (Magnetic)."

## ANTI-WAR.

### U.S. and French Negotiations.

#### AN UNDERSTANDING.

Mr. Kellogg's Two Original Proposals Unchanged.

New York, Yesterday. The "New York Times" Washington correspondent declares that a basis of understanding has been reached between Mr. Kellogg and M. Briand for a Multilateral Anti-War Treaty, in which Mr. Kellogg's two original proposals are unchanged, condemning war as an instrument of national policy and pledging the contracting powers always to seek a pacific solution of their difficulties. —Reuter.

## AN EXPEDITION.

### INHOSPITABLE RECEPTION IN TIBET RESENTED IN U.S.

#### AN INVESTIGATION.

Calcutta, Yesterday.

It is reported that Professor Roerich has received a cablegram from America that the Commission of three representatives of the New York Corporations, which financed his expedition, are coming to India to investigate the behaviour of the Tibet Government to the expedition.

The cable adds that the entire American Press is most indignant about it.

[A cable of May 25 stated: A telegram has been re-

#### OVERCAST.

S. Winds, moderate, generally overcast, is the official weather forecast until noon to-morrow.

Pressure is high over N.E. Japan and low over China. The Oshima depression has filled up.

Received announcing the safe arrival in Northern India of the expedition headed by Professor Roerich, accompanied by his wife and son.

This is the first news of the expedition since April of last year, when a Moscow telegram said it was about to start for Mongolia.

The expedition has had various adventures, having been attacked by robbers, but the superiority of the expedition's firearms prevented bloodshed.

The expedition was stopped by the Tibetan authorities. It suffered considerable hardship, living in the winter-time in summer tents at an altitude of 15,000 feet.

Over 250 paintings have been sent to America by the expedition, whilst reports have been made of many observations with regard to Buddhism.

#### TERRIFIC STORM.

### ENORMOUS DAMAGE DONE IN SOUTH HUNGARY.

#### CROPS DESTROYED.

Budapest, Yesterday.

The most terrific storm in living memory raged on Saturday afternoon in the Peas district of South Hungary. All telegraph and telephone lines are cut, so that details cannot be obtained, but two have been killed and two struck dumb in one village. All crops have been destroyed and damage is believed to be enormous. —Reuter.

### EGYPT'S POLITICS.

#### MORE "LIVELINESS" IN THE CHAMBER.

Cairo, Yesterday.

Further "liveliness" was experienced in the Chamber last night when a motion introduced recently, amending the rules of the House and widening the powers of the President, again came up.

The majority desired to discuss the question forthwith, whereupon the minority, consisting mainly of Liberals, Ittihadists and Wafatists, walked out of the Chamber, which was adjourned for a day. —Reuter.

## RAILWAY SMASH.

### Disaster To German Express.

#### 22 DEAD.

Train Plunges Down Embankment Dragging Coaches.

Nuremberg, June 10. Fifteen have been killed and 4 seriously wounded as a result of the Munich-Frankfurt express running off the rails outside the Siegelsdorf Station early this morning.

Death Roll. Nuremberg, Later.

The death roll is now 22. Many were scalped to death by the escaping steam from the locomotive which plunged down the embankment dragging four coaches with it. —Reuter.

## BATTLE ROYAL.

### JUNK CREW AND CARGO COOLIES "SCRAP."

#### COURT SEQUEL.

At the Central Magistracy this morning, Mr. Horace Lo appeared for one of six Chinese charged with causing grievous bodily harm to three other Chinese in the course of a fight at West Point yesterday.

Detective Sergeant Whant, who prosecuted, told the Magistrate that the fight occurred on the Praya at Connaught-road, opposite French-street. It involved a number of cargo coolies and the crew of a cargo junk.

The junk was moored alongside the Praya wall. There was some trouble over this craft getting out to permit another cargo junk to get alongside the Praya. The cargo coolies, who were waiting to unload the incoming cargo junk, became impatient and threw stones into the other junk with the view to hastening its departure.

Instead, the junk people became incensed over the stone throwing and, going ashore is a body, gave battle to the cargo coolies. In the fight, poles and other weapons were used. When the fight was eventually stopped, the six defendants were arrested, and the three injured, who appeared as complainants in Court, all with their heads bandaged, were removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

Joined In. Of the six defendants, the Sergeant said that No. 1 (Mr. Lo's client) was a member of the junk's crew, whilst the other five were all cargo coolies. Of the injured, two were cargo coolies, whilst the third was a trader who was friendly with the cargo junk's crew. He was passing along the Praya and, on seeing the fight, joined in the side of the junk people.

The Sergeant said that he had charged the six defendants with causing grievous bodily harm because, at the time the three injured men were admitted to the hospital, their condition was considered to be serious. In fact, one man was reported to have sustained a fractured skull. Happily, it afterwards turned out that the injuries suffered by the complainants were not so serious as at first thought, and he would, of course, have to amend the charge to a less serious one.

Magistrate's Suggestion. The Magistrate suggested that if Mr. Lo would admit ordinary street fighting, he would bind all the parties over.

Mr. Lo demurred, whilst Sergeant Whant interposed to say that in any case he would have to ask for a remand as another man had, since been arrested, whilst another injured man had gone to the hospital after the fight and was still being detained for treatment.

As these were all mixed-up in the fight, he wanted a remand so that these men could be charged with the others.

The Magistrate accordingly gave a remand until to-morrow morning, fixing bail in the sum of \$10 each.

The master of motor boat "Bingo Maru" was fined \$10 at the Marine Court this morning before Commander J. B. Newill, D.S.O., R.N., for leaving the Colony on June 5 without a clearance. The accused pleaded "guilty."

## RIVER PERILS.

### British Ships Attacked Again.

#### TROOPS THE CULPRITS.

Both Jardine & Taikoo Companies Affected.

For the third time in a week, British craft have been subjected to an attack when on the upper reaches of the Yangtze River.

The latest victim is the China Navigation Co.'s "Kanting" (for which Messrs. Butterfield and Swire are agents). She was fired upon at Wushan and, according to a British Naval wireless despatch, the armed guards on her retaliated.

Last week a B. & S. ship was attacked on another part of the Upper Yangtze.

(1) obtaining the sum of \$40,000

from the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank on January 31, 1924, by means of a forged cheque; and (2) larceny of the money as a servant of the Bank.

Chief Detective Inspector T. Murphy, told the Magistrate that the accused was on good terms with another man concerned in the fraud, and who was not in custody. The two worked in conjunction in the filling of the cheque and the forging of the signature, all of which was believed to have been done at the bank.

Then the accused, using his position as an employee of the bank, took the false cheque with the forged initials indicating that it had been passed through the books, to the paying-out shroff, who, as everything appeared correct, paid the \$40,000 to the accused's accomplice who departed with the money.

Soon afterwards, the accused also disappeared and was not seen again until his arrest in Canton the week before his first appearance in Court. Since his arrest the opposing armies are under General Yang Sen and Liu Hsiang respectively, who are striving for the mastery of the Upper Yangtze.

The Magistrate passed sentence of six months' hard labour on each of the two counts, the terms to run consecutively.

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**NOTICES.**

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PEAK CLUB.

**M**EMBERS are reminded that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING takes place at the Club House TO-DAY, at 6 p.m.

R. E. GREENSMITH,  
Hon. Secretary.  
Hong Kong, June 11, 1928.

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**TWO MEETINGS.**

Two meetings were held on Saturday by shareholders of William Powell, Ltd. The first was the ordinary general annual meeting in which it was indicated that the tailoring and outfitting department would be continued. The second was the first of two extraordinary meetings to pass and confirm a resolution reducing the shares of the company from \$7 to \$2 and the capital from \$350,000 to \$100,000.

Mr. M. Manuk presided. He was supported by Mr. R. L. Bridger and Mr. S. J. Jordain (directors), Mr. A. C. Howell (secretary) and Mr. R. A. Wadeson of Messrs. Deacons (the company's solicitors). Shareholders present were Messrs. H. E. Scriven, E. J. Alinslie, A. W. Roberts, A. W. Brown, H. Overy, Leung Po-shan and Yip Fook-ling. Last Year's Profit.

The notice convening the annual meeting was read by the secretary. The report and accounts for the last financial year were taken as read. Mr. Manuk's address appeared in Saturday's "China Mail".

Mr. H. Overy seconded. No question was asked. The proposal was carried unanimously.

Other Business.

Other business transacted by the meeting comprised:—

Re-election of Mr. S. J. Jordain as a director—proposed by Mr. E. J. Alinslie, seconded by Mr. A. W. Roberts.

Re-election of the auditors—proposed by Mr. H. Overy, seconded by Mr. H. E. Scriven.

**CAPITAL REDUCTION.**

Resolution Passed at Extraordinary Meeting.

The secretary having read the notices convening the extraordinary meeting, the chairman said:—

Gentlemen.—At the annual general meeting which has just been held you have had the opportunity of considering the company's balance sheet and for the reasons which have been given you the directors have come to the conclusion that capital of the company has been lost or is not now represented by available assets to the extent of \$189,000 which represents a loss on each of the 42,000 shares of the company which have been issued of \$4.50 and the resolution which is now before the meeting provides in part for the reduction of the company's capital to that extent.

Reduction Explained.

You will no doubt have observed on reading through the resolution contained in the notice calling this meeting that in addition to the reduction of the capital of the company by the amount of \$4.50 on each of the issued shares, a further reduction of 50 cents per share is contemplated making in all a reduction of \$5 per share and that this part of the reduction is to be effected by repaying to the holders of the issued shares 50 cents in respect of each share held by them.

After making the reduction which I first mentioned, the directors, on account of considerations which I will give you presently, are of the opinion that the issued capital of the company will be in excess of its requirements to the extent of \$21,000 which, as you will see, represents 50 cents on each of the issued shares.

Decrease in Charges.

The reasons for this opinion are shortly as follows:—

The company is now about to restrict its business to a very large extent by selling off the stock and discontinuing the use of all departments which are unremunerative, and in this respect it has now been decided that the company shall strictly confine itself to the business of tailoring and outfitting only.

You are all no doubt aware of the different classes of business in which the company has previously engaged and will realise what a drastic change this is and the correspondingly small amount of capital which will be required.

In addition to this the company will in the near future be moving into smaller and considerably less expensive premises resulting in a further decrease in its capital charges.

The Resolution.

I now formally move the following extraordinary resolution:—

"That the capital of the company be reduced from \$350,000 divided into 50,000 shares of \$7 each of which 42,000 have been issued to \$100,000 divided into 50,000 shares of \$2 each and that such reduction be effected by cancelling capital which has been lost or is unrepresented by

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**BURDWAN'S PLANS.**

**STUDY OF ENGLISH  
POLITICAL LIFE.**

**A PRINCELY M. P.?**

London, May 16.

The Maharaja of Burdwan has formed the "Statesman" that he is taking a course on English politics with the intention of standing for Parliament. The Maharaja is stated to be taking a political course at the Philip Stott College, Northampton, to get an insight into English political life. Afterwards, if invited by the Conservative Party, he would be willing to stand for Parliament.

Interviewed by Reuter, the

Maharaja said that while there was no immediate prospect of his putting up for any constituency he would be willing, having once learned more about the work of Parliamentary candidates, to stand if the Conservative Party invited him.

While at the Philip Stott College the Maharaja of Burdwan will live the life of the ordinary student. The course includes current politics, public speaking, canvassing, industrial politics, political organization and economics, and the records of modern Conservatism.

London, May 11.

The Maharaja of Burdwan's entry to British politics is intriguing

**OUT AND IN.**

**HOW PEKING WAS HANDED  
OVER.**

**A QUIET ENTRY.**

Out—and in. So did Peking, the capital of China, fall to the Nationalist allies at the week-end. As the last Northern general marched out of one gate of the city, the Shansi vanguard marched in through another. Now, everything is quiet. The Southern allies have taken over completely and have issued a proclamation calling upon Manchurian fugitives to give themselves up, at the same time assuring protection for foreigners.

There has been some fighting on the Hailuo River, between Tangku and Tientsin, and part of the latter city's native quarter has been upset by the departing Northerners. Riverside troops fired on a Japanese war vessel acting as convoy but were soon silenced by naval artillery.

Tientsin Battle Zone.  
Peking, Saturday.

On the morning of June 8, General Pao Yu-lin (the Manchurian officer who had remained to keep order until the Nationalists arrived), with his bodyguard, marched out of the east gate.

Detachments of Shansi troops (aliens of the Nationalists) commenced to enter Peking shortly afterwards, through the south gate.

General Shang Chen (vice-commander-in-chief of the Shansi Army) entered at 4 p.m. on June 8. He issued a proclamation

calling on any Manchurian deserters in hiding to declare themselves and give up their arms and ammunition.

This proclamation assures foreigners of full protection.

Six thousand Shansi troops have taken up quarters in the city in the most quiet manner possible.

The Kuominchun (the army of the "Christian General") is at Nanyuan, preparing to move down the railway from Peking to Tientsin (70 miles to the southeast) with the intention of attacking the Northern forces commanded by Generals Chang Tsung-chang, Sun Chuan-fang and Chu Yu-pu in the Tientsin area.—Reuter.

For Tientsin.  
Shanghai, Saturday.



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AKI MARU ..... Wednesday, 25th June.

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SADO MARU ..... Monday, 11th June.

+GENOA MARU ..... Wednesday, 27th June.

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GINO MARU ..... Thursday, 12th July.

SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.

KANAKURA MARU ..... Tuesday, 17th July.

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+ MORIOKA MARU ..... Sunday, 10th June.

+ NAGATO MARU ..... Monday, 18th June.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

AKI MARU ..... Friday, 22nd June.

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PANAMA MARU ..... Sunday, 8th July.

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SEATTLE MARU ..... Wednesday, 25th July.

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KOHOKU MARU ..... Monday, 18th June.

HAIKHONG—Via HOIHOW & PAKHOI.

MENADO MARU ..... Friday, 8th June 10 a.m.

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Cardiff.—An important address, which was illustrated by lantern slides, was delivered to the Cardiff coal and shipping operators, when members of the South Wales Coal Exporters' Association, the Cardiff Chamber of Commerce, Cardiff and Bristol Channel shipowners' Association of Chartered Shipbrokers heard a lecture by Mr. David Wilson, O.B.E., A.M.I.E.E., of London, on the subject of the latest developments in pulverised fuel, with special reference to Welsh coal.

After dealing with inland conditions Mr. Wilson stated that while experiments had taken them a considerable step forward, he personally could not say that powdered fuel firing on board ship on any appreciable scale was yet within sight, and even if it did suddenly become an accomplished fact, he doubted very much whether it would seriously affect South Wales. He was not a marine engineer, but took it that the following factors were of vital importance:—(1) Bunkerage to be as small as possible; (2) risk of fire to be at an absolute minimum; and (3) cooling to be carried out in the quickest possible time.

Regarding bunkerage, Welsh coal, on account of its high calorific value and smokelessness was recognised as the best coal in the world for ships' bunkers, and he supposed he could take it that with such coal bunker capacity was at an absolute minimum for solid fuel. Any appreciable decrease in the quality of the coal carried would demand increased bunkerage, and as such increase was prohibitive, that ruled out at once one of the most important advantages of powdered fuel firing.

Regarding the risk of fire, whilst they had very little experience in the storage of powdered Welsh coal, it was recognised that powdered bituminous coal could not be stored for any length of time without either danger of spontaneous combustion, or at least such change in the physical condition of the coal as to render it difficult to handle in the powdered form. This meant that all pulverisation would have to be done on board ship, with additional space to accommodate the preparation plant.

Time Consideration.

As to the time taken to coal a ship, there would obviously be no gain whilst oil-firing offered a very big advantage in this direction. So far as raw coal was concerned, therefore, they came down to the possibility of increased efficiency and reduced labour costs, and in spite of the results claimed for the U.S. steamer "Mercer," he was very doubtful if they could expect any decided advance in thermal efficiency on existing marine boilers properly handled, and for new ships equipped with water-tube boilers. He would prefer to install mechanical stokers, in preference to powdered fuel plant.

In any case, mechanical stokers should be the intermediate stage, as they had been on land, giving a cheaper installation, more definitely established results, the same saving in labour on board ship, and calling for practically no extra space.

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W. RIVER PIRATES.

CANTON MAKING A CLEAR UP.

DENS MARKED.

General Chen Chai-tong, Rehabilitation Commissioner for the Western Region, is pursuing active measures for the suppression of pirate gangs in his territory, and thus eliminate any danger of molestation with the regular shipping trade.

General Chen's latest move has been to spread his troops along the Siu, Hoi and Tung Hoi, two tributaries of the West River. These watercourses have been favourite stamping grounds of people with piratical leanings, as the tortuous nature of the rivers makes it a comparatively easy matter to hold up junks by means of bombs and mines. The troops now proceeding on garrison duty in this district will make a thorough comb-out of the localities, an information has been gathered giving the approximate locations of the pirate lairs.

It is understood that maps have been prepared with all the pirate dens marked out, and copies of these maps have been supplied to all troops as well as to the various district magistrates for their guidance. The local Precautionary Troops have been ordered to move to certain designed strategic points, forming part of the general garrison scheme, and the whole territory is being thoroughly policed, making it safe for travellers to pursue their vocations.

It is also learned that the squadron of gunboats detailed for patrol on the West River has been doing good work in sweeping out bandits. The Tung Hoi has been cleared of such gentry, and the Commander of the squadron has ordered certain units of his fleet to make detailed inspection of the river. In normal times navigation is somewhat difficult owing to the narrowness and shallowness of the stream, but the heavy rains of the past few weeks caused a rise in the water level, and navigation, being therefore easier at the present time. The fleet commander is making full use of the opportunity offered.

WINCHESTERS AND MAUSERS USED IN FIGHT.

A rice junk was pirated on May 29 whilst on a voyage from Hong Kong to Kiongmon with a cargo size, employed in ocean work. The "Alastor" was built in 1875 by Mounay and Foster, of Sunderland, for R. H. Penney, of Shoreham, one of three well-known sisters, the other two being the "Alapheta" and "Antares," iron barges that evening about 7 o'clock in a fishing boat, the junk people attempted to repulse the miscreants with a

Twenty pirates boarded the junk, imprisoned all the crew, 11 men and three women, in the hold, and then sailed the junk to Lamkam, where the crew were released and ordered to take the cargo ashore. The value of the stolen cargo is about £75 tons gross. When she was a brand new ship the "Alastor" was joined by Captain Glazebrook as master, and it is noteworthy that Winchesters but the latter, armed with Mausers, had the better of the exchanges.

During the fight the master of ownership she tramped the junk and his wife were both wounded, the latter dying from wounds three days later.

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All the junk's crew are at present held prisoners by the pirates. Only one succeeded in evading the captors and, making his way back to Hong Kong, reported to the local police during the week-end.

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NEILLORE	6,853	3rd July	Shai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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RAJPUTANA	16,608	20th July	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
KALYAN	9,144	3rd Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TANDA	9,056	7th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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Government's Attitude. The Federal Premier, Mr. Bruce referred to the industrial registrar suggestion, cabled by the Premier of Victoria, to summon a compulsory conference to settle the marine cooks' strike.

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DEATH.

LOWE.—On May 14, at Kinnoull, Troom, Ayrshire (the residence of her nieces), Isabella Telfer, Shanghai, widow of John Pollock Lowe, cremated at the Western Necropolis, Glasgow.

U.S. PRESIDENTIAL  
ELECTION.

Though it is still quite a considerable time before the next Presidential Election in the United States takes place, there is at present, as there has been for several months past, plenty of activity being manifested in connection with it. Both of the great Parties—Republicans and Democrats—are evidently looking forward to the struggle with a zest that perhaps has not been shown since the principal figures in the arena were Woodrow Wilson and Theodore Roosevelt in 1912. There are several very good reasons why the next election should arouse keen feelings of anticipation and lead to a real struggle for supremacy. The Republicans have now been in the ascendant for several years and it may be supposed that "the swing of the political pendulum" is now, due to bring the Democrats back to a spell of power. No doubt the Democrats hope so, though probably the Republicans see no need for any such change. Soon the nominating conventions will take place when out of the welter and confusion that still continues to animate the political scene, and will probably continue to animate it until the conventions are over, something like order will emerge from the apparent chaos.

The second feature that will probably act detrimentally to the interests of the Republicans is the uncertainty as to the economic soundness of the country. There can be no doubt that the United States has enjoyed a wave of prosperity during the past few years, but it is equally certain that there now appears to be a much larger number of unemployed throughout the country than was believed to be possible a year or so ago. Though President Coolidge formally announced that he did not "choose" to be nominated in the coming conventions, yet there still appears to be uncertainty, despite the Senate's well-known antagonism towards a third term for any President, that he will really refuse to be nominated. As it is almost certain that he will not again come forward, the Republicans are now bewildered by a large number of candidates for occupancy of the White House. Vice-President Dawes, Mr. Herbert Hoover, and ex-Governor Lowden of Illinois, are probably the outstanding of the number, but, as all of them with the exception of ex-Governor Lowden are involved with the present Administration and, in most cases, with the Harding

Administration, in the scandals, Americans state openly that the country will not have any of them at the White House. It is therefore apparent that the Republicans are in no fit fettle to carry out anything in the nature of a close struggle with their well-equipped political opponents, who have a particularly strong candidate in the person of Governor Alfred E. Smith of New York, and who is more or less formidable because of his sympathy with the anti-prohibitionists. The fact that he is a Roman Catholic will probably be detrimental to his chances in certain parts of the country, who, however, may be less inclined towards opposition when they learn that "Al" Smith is unquestionably a supporter of the "Wets." Meanwhile, though it is much too soon to venture to predict, yet it may be said now that everything points to exciting nominating conventions in mid-summer and to even more excitement when the actual election takes place in November.

## BREACH OF FAITH.

KUOMINCHUN TREACHERY  
TO NORTHERNERS.

MINISTERS PERTURBED.

Peking, Saturday.

It will be recalled that the Nanking Government and also the Shansi and Kuominchun Generals had agreed to allow General Pao Yu-lin's Northern troops to march out to Manchuria with the honours of war; but when they reached Tungchow, 14 miles from Peking on the afternoon of June 8, the Kuominchun forces there refused to allow them to proceed and demanded that they accept the San Min (Dr. Sun's) Principles or disarm. They accordingly returned to Peking, thus marching 80 miles in the tropical heat and encamped for the night at the Moon Temple, outside the East Gate.

Ministers' Responsibility.

This morning strong Kuominchun forces arrived at Moon Temple and renewed their demands.

The Diplomatic Body feel responsible for General Pao Yu-lin and his men as they requested

the Nanking Government to allow them to remain in Peking to preserve order during the transition period, which General Pao Yu-lin most ably performed.

Following a hurried meeting early this morning, the Diplomatic Body wired to Nanking strongly urging the Nationalist Government there to keep faith.

The British, American, Japanese and Dutch Ministers, accompanied by military attaches in full uniform, with Chinese secretaries, have now gone to the East Gate to attempt to arrange the matter amicably.

Most Truculent.

Later, when the Ministers arrived at the East Gate, they found that following the firing of a few shots, during which there were no casualties, General Pao Yu-lin's forces had surrendered to overwhelming numbers and had been disarmed. After protesting and attempting to arrange a settlement on the spot, the Ministers proceeded to Nanyuan and interviewed the Kuominchun General, Han Fu-chu, who had previously agreed to allow Pao Yu-lin's troops to depart.

The Bridal Retinue.

The Misses Amy and Genevieve Wong were the bridesmaids. Their dresses were of pale blue crepe de chine, with flared skirts and sleeves; and they also wore head-dresses of pale blue tulle. Their bouquets were of pink roses and fern, tied with pale blue satin ribbon.

Miss Mabel Chan (sister of the bride) acted as train-bearer.

Mrs. Douglas R. Wong, the matron of honour, wore a dress of peach coloured crepe de chine with knife-pleated skirt and flared georgette sleeves, brown hat and fawn shoes to tone.

Music in Service.

Mr. David Chan See gave his daughter away. Mr. Samuel F. K. Chan (brother of the bride) was best man.

The music in the service included—Introductory Voluntary, Angel's Serenade, Largo, Salut D'Amour, Chansons Paroles, and Lohengrin's and Mendelssohn's Marches.

A large number of guests attended the subsequent reception in Messrs. Lane, Crawford's restaurant.

The bride's going away dress was of apple green embossed Chinese silk with elaborate trimming. The honeymoon is being spent at Macao and in the New Territory.

## PENITENT THIEF.

WOMAN'S RINGS  
RETURNED.

Berlin.—A dressmaker found a heavy envelope in her letter-box, and when she opened it discovered that it contained a gold watch and chain, necklace, rings and other trinkets. Her home was broken into by burglars a year ago, and these were the trinkets which were then stolen.

The delighted woman examined her treasures and noticed that a little ruby stone was missing from one of the rings and that the other articles bore signs of having been worn since they were stolen from her.

It would appear that there is a penitent thief in Berlin.

The Soviet, reply to the Japanese protest of violation of the Fisheries Convention, have promised to investigate the complaint, but it is generally believed that a settlement will be attained with no small difficulty. Reuter.

Three men and three girls from the Italian Fascist universities of Rome, Milan, Palermo, and Naples arrived at Victoria on a three-weeks' visit to England.

[Note: Other cables bearing on this subject will be found on page 8.]

## INDECENCY.

CHINESE YOUTH FOUND  
GUILTY.

REMAND FOR APPEAL.

Chung Yu-fan, the Chinese youth charged with committing an offence against public decency on Kennedy-road on a complaint lodged by two European ladies, was found guilty by Major C. Willson, O.B.E., on Saturday.

His Worship imposed sentence of one month's imprisonment. Mr. F. H. Loseby, who appeared for the defence, asked for a further remand to apply for leave to appeal against the decision. Bail was allowed in the meantime in a cash security of £1,000.

Mr. Loseby addressed the Magistrate at length, discussing every phase and stage of the evidence for the prosecution. After dealing with the events which led up to the arrest of his client, he laid stress on the fact that the complainants said that it was in half light that they saw the defendant committing the act.

"Hardly Credible."

Half light could be anything, allowing for the fact of a moon, lights, etc., and how the street was lighted at that particular place (said Mr. Loseby), so that, summing up, the complainants' description of seeing the accused was not very clear.

The offence was said to have taken place at 7.45 p.m.

The complainants, moreover, definitely stated that they did not see defendant's act, but only recognised him by his build, and that it was to dark to see his features clearly.

"Recognising a man by his build in practical darkness, is hardly credible," said Mr. Loseby.

"What I mean is this. You see a man once on a cycle, and you have not seen his face, how then is it possible to identify him later by his build. It is hardly credible, especially in gathering darkness.

"Even for \$1."

"They definitely state that it was dark and could not see anything distinctly. Therefore identification is made all the more difficult under the circumstances prevailing. I lay great stress on this fact, for very often big mistakes have been made in the identification of person. You say positively, 'I know this man by his build' or 'I know this man by his voice,' but you may be greatly mistaken."

"I might tell Your Worship that I personally would be very sorry to see one convicted on that basis, even for \$1," Mr. Loseby continued.

"Then we come to the question of clothes worn at the time. There is no doubt at all that the complainant definitely said that my client wore a white shirt and mackintosh overalls, having no hat on at the time.

Perjury Alleged.

"Now Your Worship has actually seen the shirt my client wore. It was khaki and, what is more, he appeared in court just as he was dressed on the night in question. Furthermore, his wife, and also the amah, have both given evidence to the fact that he was dressed in khaki.

"What my client is alleged to have committed is very rare and an incredible act for a man of his standing. His wife and all the relations of his family circle would disown him if he had done so. The only thing that strikes me as being possible solution of the problem is that the complainants do not know who actually did the act, and have blamed my client and, in so doing, deliberately committed perjury.

"My client is married, he has his wife and his children. It is incredible that he should be accused of doing such an act and the fact that he is a Chinese makes the case twelve times more serious."

Magistrate Prefers Cash.

Mr. Loseby then said that he laid great stress on the fact of the uncertainty of the basis on which the accused was identified, and that the only thing remaining was to ask His Worship to discharge defendant.

His Worship agreed that the case was very serious for a man of the defendant's standing and in view of the seriousness of the offence, the defendant was to go to jail for one month.

Mr. Loseby asked for a remand in order to lodge an appeal. His Worship then complied, fixing bail at £1,000.

"May it be in a personal bond we have no ready cash?" asked Mr. Loseby. His Worship replied that he wanted cash. Mr. Loseby said: "I might remind Your Worship of the words of the Chief Justice." He said that "a good security was better than cash."

His Worship: "I would rather have good cash."

The Queen of Norway paid a shopping visit to Harrods on a recent afternoon.

## WHARF DRAMA.

FOREIGN LEGIONARIES DESERT.

## AT SINGAPORE.

Singapore, June 1. People assembled on the wharf in front of Number 11 godown, Tanjong Pagar, to say goodbye to friends leaving on the French mail steamer "Athos II" yesterday afternoon witnessed an exciting escape from the steamer by four German members of the French Foreign Legion.

The "Athos II" came in from Saigon yesterday morning. She had ninety men of the Foreign Legion on board, seventy being Frenchmen and the others Germans and other European nationalities. It appears that the Frenchmen were allowed to go ashore during the day, but the remaining twenty men were kept on board.

When the ship was leaving the wharf at about six o'clock, and was about fifty feet out into the channel, four men in full uniform jumped overboard. Three of them reached the wharf safely, two being hauled up by spectators and the other climbing up some steps. The fourth man never came to the surface after his dive overboard and it is thought that his coat came up over his head and prevented him from swimming. Two European spectators courageously dived after him, but their efforts were fruitless. The body has not yet been recovered, and it is thought that it may have been swept out with the steamer.

The other three men were taken into custody by the police on the wharf, but were released this morning, and it is understood that the German Consul-General is arranging for them to be sent back to Germany.

Experiences in the Legion. Conversing with a "Straits Times" representative this morning, through the medium of an interpreter, the men spoke with great feeling and bitterness about their experiences in the Foreign Legion. Two of them served throughout the Great War, and they had the appearance of tough and hardened soldiers. All three men enlisted in the Foreign Legion in 1920, when they were living in the occupied territory of Germany and were unable to find other employment. They spent their first five years fighting in Morocco and Algeria, and conditions were so bad that they applied to be transferred to French Indo-China. They state that escape was out of the question in Northern Africa, and their one object in applying for a transfer was to find an opportunity for deserting.

Service in Indo-China. They have spent the last two years in Tonkin, and they complain that they were not soldiering at all, but were compelled to work on roads, in quarries, at bridge building, at brickmaking. The discipline was extremely strict, and the conditions of service generally bad. One thing of which they complained with particular emphasis was the alleged discrimination between the French and other members of the Legion. They quoted a case of a Frenchman who killed one of his comrades in a drunken brawl, and who was punished, they say, with fifty days imprisonment. If that man has been of any other nationality than French, they allege, the penalty would have been five years. At the time of their desertion they were being sent back to Algeria, and they were determined to escape during the voyage. They state that there are no Britishers among the Legionaries on board the "Athos II," and the only one they have known during their term of service escaped in Casablanca.

There have been several other cases during the last few years of Foreign Legionaries deserting at Singapore.

ROME'S GOVERNOR.  
ON AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO LONDON.

Rome, June 9.—Prince Spadas Potiniani (Governor of Rome) and his daughter, Donna Myriam Potiniani, were welcomed by the Lord Mayo and Lady Mayoress of London and by the sheriffs when they arrived at Victoria Station last night. They are on an official visit to the city of London. The visitors drove to Claridge's Hotel where they will stay. To-day they will visit Windsor Castle and Eton College and in the evening will be entertained to dinner by the Lord Mayor.—British Wireless Service.

The death is announced in London of the well-known actor manager, Mr. Dennis Eadie. Mr. Eadie, who was 53 years of age, was an actor of great versatility and a man of broad ideas. He made his first appearance in London as long ago as 1900, but it will be for his work towards the latter end of the War that he will be best remembered. "Billed" which was produced in 1917, will ensure that Mr. Eadie is not forgotten.

## PRAYER BOOK.

THE HOME SECRETARY DEVISES A NEW PLAN.

## CONTENTIOUS MATTER.

Rugby, June 9. A new and important development in the Prayer Book controversy was announced last night by Sir William Joynson Hicks, the Home Secretary. This was the preparation of an alternative measure for consideration of the Church Assembly.

The Home Secretary, who is President of the National Church League and is one of the leaders of the opposition to the Bishops' proposals, stated that the committee of competent men who were already engaged in the task, would produce a book to cover the non-contentious enrichments and variations which were found in the "Deposited Book" and which there was reason to believe were generally acceptable. It was only contentious matter relating to holy communion upon which difference existed.

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## ENAMELLED WARE.

OLD TAX TO BE RE-IMPOSED IN ENGLAND.

## "COMPELLED TO CLOSE."

Rugby, June 9. The House of Commons yesterday passed a resolution imposing a safeguarding duty of 25 per cent for five years on enamelled ware. Sir Philip Cunliffe Lister, President of the Board of Trade, recalled that the original duty had been imposed in 1922 by Lloyd George's Government. When it lapsed in 1924 foreign imports had increased, but not to such an extent as to persuade the Safeguarding Committee in 1926 to advise the re-imposition of the duty.

A fresh claim before the identical Committee had now succeeded because new evidence, including statistics of the census of production, had been adduced showing that several firms in England had been compelled to close down.—British Wireless Service.

## DIPLOMATIC.

## SOVIET AND JAPANESE FISHERIES.

Tokyo, Saturday.

The Soviet Government replying to the Japanese protest regarding the violation of the Fishery Convention promised to investigate the complaint but it is generally believed that a settlement of the trouble will be attended by no small difficulty.—Reuter.

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HOW THEY SETTLE DISPUTES IN THE SKUPSHITINA.

## POLICE AND OPPOSITION.

Brisbane, June 8. The "Southern Cross" was arrived, thus completing the first flight from California to Australia.

Brisbane, Later. The storm yesterday night blew the "Southern Cross" out of her course and delayed her arrival.

The machine eventually made a perfect landing, the aviators being tumultuously welcomed by an enormous crowd.

Captain Kingsford Smith was carried shoulder-high and crowned with a wreath of roses.

The airmen, who were in excellent health, subsequently took part in a procession through the streets, being greeted with unparalleled enthusiasm.

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### LOCAL AND GENERAL SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. M. Nemazee, of Messrs. H. M. H. Nemazee, shipowners, returned here on the "President Pierce" from Shanghai.

The Hon. Mr. B. D. F. Beith, head of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., returned to Hong Kong from Shanghai by the "President Pierce."

A large number of Chinese passengers came to Hong Kong from Shanghai by the "President Pierce," including Mr. Pang Sew-ki, Mr. Chen Wei-hung, and Mr. Wu Yu-chuen.

The Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie returned to Hong Kong by the "Delta" from the North. Other passengers disembarking here included Mr. and Mrs. Nowers, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Watkins.

Six Chinese cases of notifiable disease were reported to the Medical Officer of Health on Friday, comprising two of enteric fever (typhoid) from the city registration district and one from Kowloon, also two diphtheria cases and one small-pox case from Kowloon.

Coming on business to the Far East, two well-known Americans arrived at Hong Kong by the "President Pierce." They are Mr. R. A. Rodriguez, export manager of the Fafnir Bearing Co. of New Britain, Connecticut, and Mr. Shelly P. White, secretary of the California Barrel Co., San Francisco.

The Rev. Edwin F. Lee, Pastor of the Wesley Methodist Episcopal Church, Singapore, has been elected Missionary Bishop by the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church now in session at Kansas City. It is not yet known whether he will be returning to Singapore, where he has worked for some years.

The marriage took place at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore, on the third floor of No. 212, Shanghai-street, Yiammati. The bride was the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. A. B. Willis, of Sydney. A reception was held later at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. H. Charlwood. The honeymoon is being spent at Fraser's Hill.

An unknown Chinese, aged about 40 years, was yesterday found by the police hanging by a rope from a beam on the third floor of No. 212, Shanghai-street, Yiammati. He was immediately cut down, but life was found to be extinct and the remains were removed to the Kowloon mortuary. The floor in which the man was found was vacant. The case is believed to be one of suicide.

Those who sailed from Hong Kong on Saturday on the P. & O. "Delta" for Singapore and London via Suez included Mr. N. Allan, Mr. A. E. Birch, Mrs. H. Faulkner, Mr. W. J. Gorvin, Comdr. H. F. B. Handley, Mr. G. F. Haslam, Mrs. J. Howard, Surg. Comdr. E. B. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Lee, Mr. A. Mallison, Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. Robertson, Dr. B. N. Sudan and Mr. A. H. Terrett.

Sir George Maxwell writes to repudiate any connection with the authorship, or paternity, attributed to him about a month ago in the "Malay Mail," of the word "émeute," as officially applied at the time to the Mutiny of the Fifth Light Infantry, in Singapore in 1915. We have made further inquiries and find that it was Mr. R. L. Wilkinson, then Colonial Secretary, who drafted the communication to the press in which the word was employed, and that Sir Arthur Young, the Governor, approved it. It was, of course, an entirely false description of what had taken place, as an "émeute" is a sudden outbreak by an undisciplined crowd or mob and the word cannot properly be applied to a rising by any disciplined force, such as a regiment or the crew of a ship.

The two-seater Bristol fighter aeroplane which has been set aside for the use of the Prince of Wales at Northolt Aerodrome, on the western outskirts of London, is fitted with the slotted wing device, which greatly increases the safety of flying. The Handley Page slot is a small addition to a wing which operates automatically and prevents the machine from "stalling"—and being dangerously out of control—when losing flying speed. The Prince's machine is fitted with dual control, so that it can be flown equally well from the seats both of the pilot and the passenger. It is understood that when the Prince flew for half an hour recently in the machine he took the controls for some time and greatly enjoyed the experience. Sir Godfrey Thomas, the Prince's secretary, stated that there is no possibility of the Prince learning to fly in order to pilot the machine himself. For his flight the Prince of Wales wore a standard combination flying suit lined with wool.

The Banyard Company opened last week at Singapore, with "Whirled Into Happiness." The Company is on a farewell tour.

Found wandering in Stubbs-road on Saturday, a Chinese, apparently insane, was removed by the police to the Government Civil Hospital for observation.

London, May 16.—The Maharani of Indore, in an interview at Paris, said: "Don't think by adopting Hinduism I gave up Christianity. I have never given it up, because Hinduism is one of the oldest and greatest religions in the world, and contains all the essentials of other religions and other philosophies. My change of religion has not been a moral change."

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Mr. Hassaran Stanchan, proprietor of the Bombay Silk Store, left by the a.s. "Delta" yesterday for Bombay.

Mr. T. B. Belajoe, manager in the Orient for Dodge Bros., Inc., the motor-car manufacturers, has arrived here with Mrs. Belajoe by the "President Pierce."

Among the passengers on the "Changte," which has arrived here from Australian ports via Manila were Mr. and Mrs. A. Holden, Mr. and Mrs. A. Rogers and Mr. N. B. Carson.

One of the passengers who returned to Hong Kong from Shanghai by the "President Pierce" was Mr. P. K. Fu, dean of the school of silk industry and director of the bureau of sericulture, in the Nationalist Government at Canton.

The latest recruit to the professional staff governing racing in Malaya is Major Doyle, well-known in the steeplechasing world, who has been appointed Judge-Veterinary surgeon to the S.R.A. and will leave England in a few months time.

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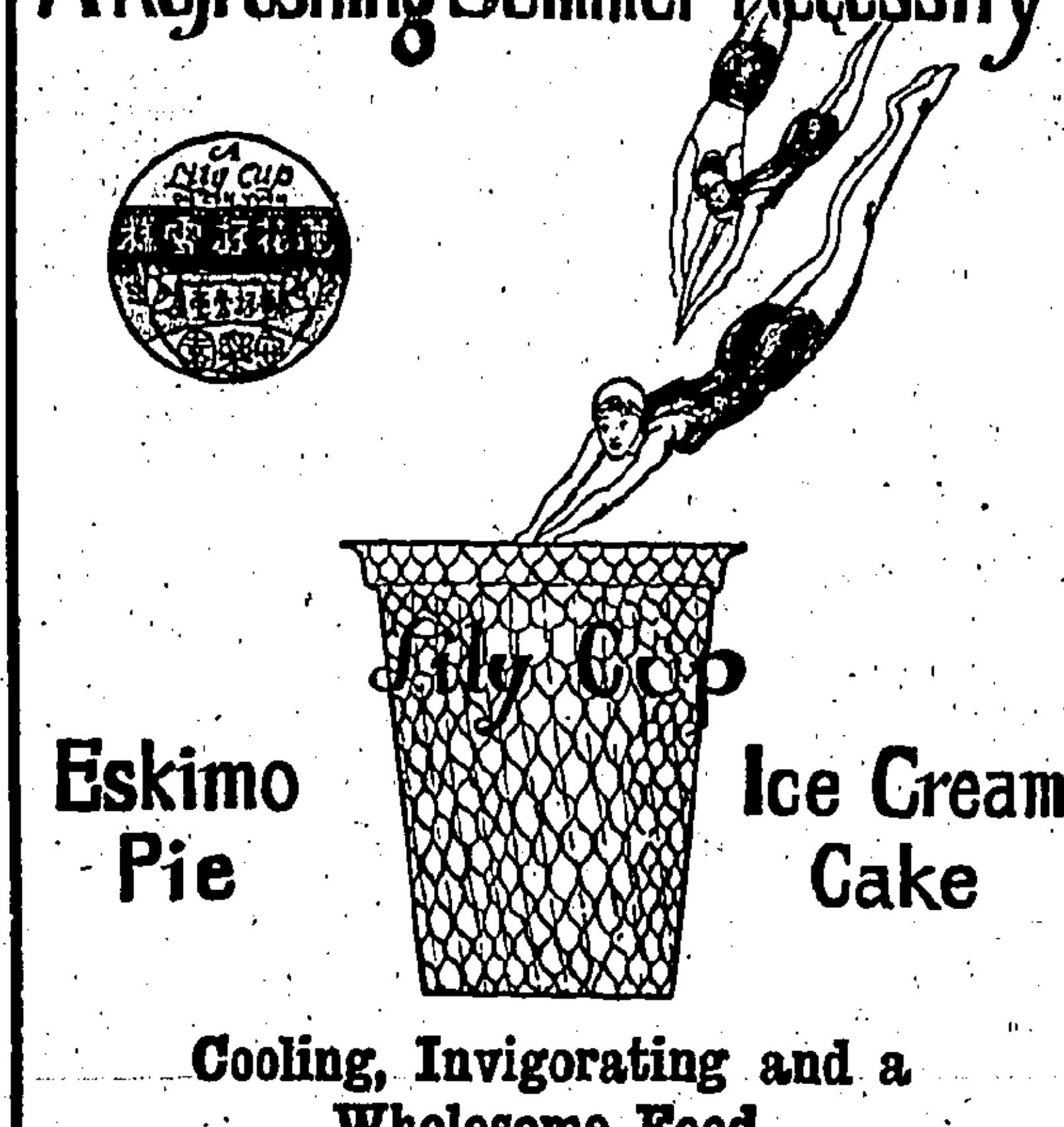
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# Sport Columns

## TENNIS.

INDIANS "B" WELL BEATEN.

NO SENIOR MATCHES.

Of the sixteen matches down on the tennis league card on Saturday, only seven were played, as rain in the early afternoon rendered most of the courts unfit for play.

The Indian R.C., playing away in the "B" division, were well beaten by the South China, the visitors returning a victory in only one set.

The Kowloon C.C. almost put it over the Chinese R.C.-2 in the "C" section, losing by the narrowest possible margin.

South China will have to be seriously reckoned with in the championship race in the "B" division as they appear to have got together a very fine team. The Club de Recreio and the Chinese R.C. are probably the two strongest sides in this division.

## Division "B."

## SOUTH CHINA v. I.R.C.

At King's Park, the South China A.A. defeated the Indian R.C. by 31 games. Scores:

Chan So and Ho Wei-hing (S.C.A.A.):—

beat S. A. Hussain and S. S. Hussain ..... 7-4

beat I. M. A. Razack and A. H. Madar ..... 7-4

beat D. Mohamed and S. A. R. Bux ..... 10-1

24-9

Luk Kang-cheong and Luk Ting-cheong (S.C.A.A.):—

beat S. A. Hussain and S. S. Hussain ..... 7-4

beat I. M. A. Razack and A. H. Madar ..... 6-5

beat D. Mohamed and S. A. R. Bux ..... 7-4

20-13

Li Woon-tsui and Li Wai-tsui (S.C.A.A.):—

beat S. A. Hussain and S. S. Hussain ..... 6-5

lost to I. M. A. Razack and A. H. Madar ..... 5-6

beat D. Mohamed and S. A. R. Bux ..... 6-5

17-16

(Total: S.C.A.A. 61, I.R.C. 38).

## K.C.C. v. RECREIO.

On their own ground the Kowloon C.C. lost to the Club de Recreio by 43 games. Scores:

D. S. Green and C. J. Tacchi (K.C.C.):—

lost to F. J. Remedios and J. Xavier ..... 4-7

lost to L. A. Ribeiro and A. V. Remedios ..... 0-11

lost to E. A. Noronha and E. de Sousa ..... 3-8

7-26

J. N. Owen and W. Brown (K.C.C.):—

lost to F. J. Remedios and J. Xavier ..... 3-8

lost to L. A. Ribeiro and A. V. Remedios ..... 5-6

lost to E. A. Noronha and E. de Sousa ..... 3-8

11-22

J. S. Smith and J. P. Murray (K.C.C.):—

beat F. J. Remedios and J. Xavier ..... 6-5

lost to L. A. Ribeiro and A. V. Remedios ..... 3-8

lost to E. A. Noronha and E. de Sousa ..... 1-10

10-28

(Total: K.C.C. 28, C. de R. 71).

## Division "C."

## RECREIO-1 v. R.A.O.C.

At King's Park, the Club de Recreio-1 lost to the Royal Army Ordnance Corps by 7 games. Scores:

H. S. Remedios & A. Ribeiro (C. de R.):—

lost to Hale & Waterfield ..... 2-9

lost to Pepper & Donaldson ..... 6-6

lost to Greenaway & Bryant ..... 5-6

12-21

F. W. Ribeiro & S. Figueiredo (C. de R.):—

beat Hale & Waterfield ..... 6-5

lost to Pepper & Donaldson ..... 8-8

lost to Greenaway & Bryant ..... 5-6

14-19

H. Noronha & A. A. Remedios (C. de R.):—

lost to Hale & Waterfield ..... 6-6

beat Pepper & Donaldson ..... 10-1

lost to Greenaway & Bryant ..... 5-6

20-18

(Total: C. de R. 46, R.A.O.C. 53).

## RECREIO-2 v. I.R.C.

On their own ground, the Club de Recreio-2 defeated the Indian R.C. by 57 games. Scores:

L. A. Rocha & G. A. Noronha (C. de R.):—

beat M. Hassan & F. M. el Arculli ..... 9-2

beat M. P. Madar & A. Rahmin ..... 11-1

beat M. O. Hussain & M. Y. Adal ..... 9-2

29-4

A. A. Remedios & A. Gosano (C. de R.):—

beat M. Hassan & F. M. el Arculli ..... 8-3

beat M. P. Madar & A. Rahmin ..... 8-3

beat M. O. Hussain & M. Y. Adal ..... 7-4

23-10

H. A. Barros & C. Barreto (C. de R.):—

beat M. Hassan & F. M. el Arculli ..... 7-4

beat M. P. Madar & A. Rahmin ..... 9-2

beat M. O. Hussain & M. Y. Adal ..... 10-1

26-7

(Total: C. de R. 78, I.R.C. 21).

## KOWLOON C.C. v. C.R.C.-2.

Crossing over to Kowloon, the Chinese R.C.-2 defeated the Kowloon C.C. by one game. Scores:

C. H. Atkin and K. A. Carstenson (K.C.C.):—

beat Choy Yam-tong and W. C. Hung ..... 7-4

lost to Choy Ping-fan and Ng Kam-chuen ..... 5-6

beat Tsui Sze-kai and Hon Lun-fung ..... 7-4

19-14

P. M. Pinguet and A. E. Guest (K.C.C.):—

beat Choy Yam-tong and W. C. Hung ..... 6-5

lost to Choy Ping-fan and Ng Kam-chuen ..... 2-9

beat Tsui Sze-kai and Hon Lun-fung ..... 9-2

21-12

Trambitsky and Ponsford (Y.M.C.A.):—

beat Dr. Khan and H. Singh ..... 9-2

lost to N. A. Khan and S. R. Salleh ..... 6-5

beat Ferazali and Fridas Khan ..... 4-7

11-22

Sub; K. Tye rf. C. F. Remedios

Umpires: June & Bautista.

(Total: Y.M.C.A. 53, K.I.T.C. 46).

13-20

(Total: K.C.C. 49, C.R.C. 50).

## Y.M.C.A. v. K.R.M.Q.

At King's Park, the Young Men's Christian Association lost to the Kennedy-road Married Quarters by 19 games. Scores:

Faera and Pile (Y.M.C.A.):—

beat Waterson and Delahunt ..... 8-3

beat Ginnan and McCulloch ..... 6-5

lost to Harvey and Mocock ..... 5-6

19-14

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6-27

(Total: Y.M.C.A. 40, K.R.M.Q. 59).

## C.S.C.C. v. KOWLOON INDIANS.

At Happy Valley, the Civil Service C.C. defeated the Kowloon Indian T.C. by 47 games. Scores:

R. F. Jones & W. H. Owen (C.S.C.C.):—

beat G. A. Khan & H. Singh ..... 7-4

beat Feroz Ali & Firdos Khan ..... 6-5

beat S. R. Salleh & M. A. Khan ..... 11-0

24-9

R. White & A. White (C.S.C.C.):—

beat G. A. Khan & H. Singh ..... 7-4

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beat S. R. Salleh & M. A. Khan ..... 8-8

25-8

Maj. C. Willson & C. R. Spittle (C.S.C.C.):—

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20-18

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## LEAGUE TABLES.

The positions in the League to date are:

## "A" Division.

P. W. L. Pts.

Chinese R.C. ..... 2 2 0 4

Hong Kong C.C. ..... 2 2 0 4

M.B.K. ..... 2 1 1 2

University ..... 2 1 1 2

Craigengower C.C. ..... 3 1 2 2

Indian R.C. ..... 1 0 1 0

Kowloon C.C. ..... 2 0 2 0

## "B" Division.

P. W. L. Pts.

Recreio ..... 3 3 0 6

South China A.A. ..... 3 3 0 6

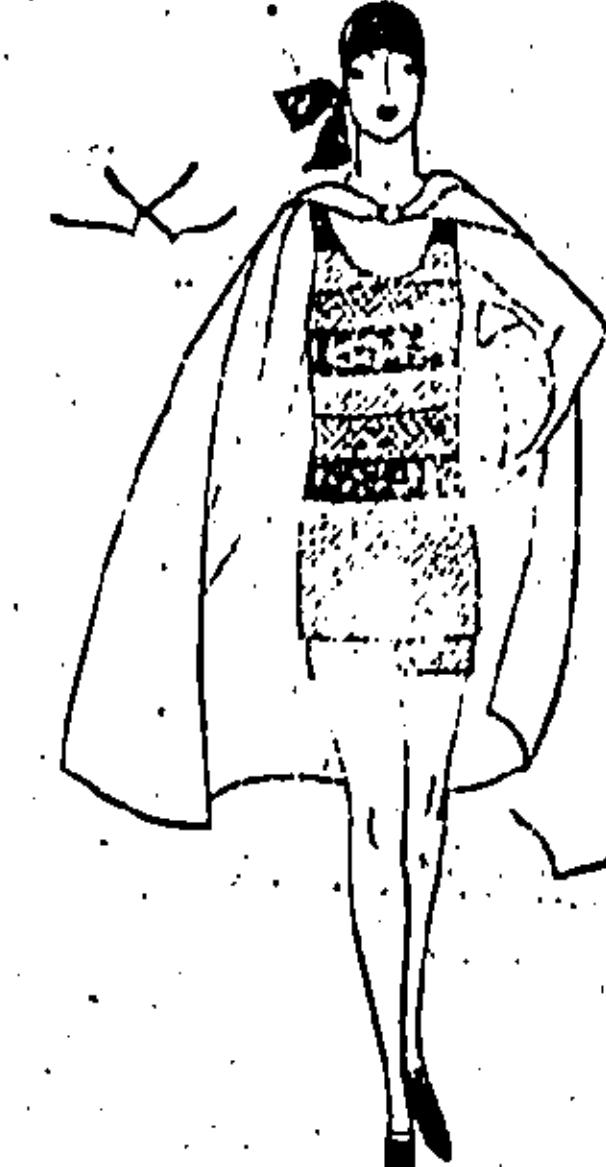
Chinese R.C. ..... 2 2 0 4

Indian R.C. ..... 3 2 1 4

Hong Kong C.C. ..... 1 0 1 2

Nippon ..... 2 1 1 2

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**LAWN BOWLS.**

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**HOME TEAM VICTORIES.**

Lawn bowls matches were carried out according to schedule on Saturday, although it was at first felt that the periodical showers earlier in the afternoon might curtail the programme.

A feature of the games was that victory went to the home team in every case.

In the first division, the Kowloon Docks had to fight all the way for their two points against the Bowling Green. It was any body's game right up to the end, the verdict going to the home team on the last head. Craigenhower again depended a great deal on Bradbury, as a comfortable margin on his rink was responsible for their victory. Kowloon C.C. gave Taikoo a very close game, losing by only seven shots.

Described as one of the finest exhibitions of lawn bowls seen in the Colony for some time was the duel between J. Massey and G. Edwards in the Civil Service versus Yacht Club fixture at Happy Valley. Their rinks ended up with an even score (200 shots each) after a most interesting tussle. In this match, the Civil Servants got the better of their visitors by 29 shots. The Bowling Green and Recreio "A" secured easy victories over Taikoo and Craigenhower respectively. The East Point R.C. narrowly accounted for Recreio "B," thanks mainly to the rink skipped by R. W. Lee.

**Division I.**

**C.C.C. v. CIVIL SERVICE.**

On their own green, the Craigenhower C.C. defeated the Civil Service C.C. by 15 shots. Scores—

Craigenhower, Civil Service. —

F. J. Neves F. H. Holdman  
M. A. R. Sousa F. E. E. Booker  
D. Rumjahn J. Gregory  
B. W. Bradbury J. Hollidge

(skip) 31 (skip) 8

W. T. Brightman L. Whant  
H. Bear H. Westlake  
E. el Arculli J. Deakin  
U. M. Omar A. W. Grimmitt

(skip) 18 (skip) 21

G. L. Buchanan J. T. Laing  
C. S. Rosselet F. Haynes  
C. Bennett S. E. Alderman  
R. Basa T. D. E. Pendered

(skip) 17 (skip) 22

66 51

**KOWLOON DOCKS v. K.B.G.C.**

On their own green, the Kowloon Docks R.C. beat the Kowloon Bowling Green Club by one shot. Scores—

Kowloon Docks. Bowling Green.

C. Atkinson H. Nish

J. Kempton D. Harvey

J. McFelvie T. J. Magill

J. B. Brown W. Russell

(skip) 22 (skip) 27

Goodman P. T. Farrell

J. A. Lindsay A. E. Silksstone

F. Cullen J. MacLachlan

R. Lapsey L. Guy

(skip) 21 (skip) 19

J. Funcheon R. Duncan

G. Henderson D. Gow

J. O. McLaggan A. Holland

S. Gray W. Macfarlane

(skip) 23 (skip) 19

66 55

**TAIKOO R. C. v. K. C. C.**

At Taikoo, the home team defeated the Kowloon C.C. by 7 shots. Scores—

Taikoo R.C. Kowloon C.C.

J. Whyte H. Overy

A. Stalker Burford

R. Wallace W. Keegan

J. C. Ferguson A. Chapman

(skip) 18 (skip) 23

J. C. Chalmers F. Goodwin

T. Grimshaw J. A. Howe

Matthews A. W. Smith

N. Drummond J. Fraser

(skip) 31 (skip) 11

T. Young L. E. Lamont

J. Chapman B. Petheram

J. Liang T. Wragg

G. McLeod J. Gibson

(skip) 15 (skip) 23

64 57

**NEW MAJOR-GENERALS.**

The War Office announces that the promotions of Colonel C. G. Fuller and Colonel J. W. Sandlands to be major-generals have been approved and will be carried out shortly.

Colonel Fuller has been temporary colonel-commandant since September 1925, when he was appointed commander of the Canal Brigade of the British troops in Egypt. During the war he served in Gallipoli, Egypt, and France.

Colonel Sandlands has been Military Attaché at the Hague since 1924 and at Berlin since 1927. He served in various campaigns before the European war and commanded an infantry brigade from 1916 until 1924.

**Division II.**

**C.S.C. v. YACHT CLUB.**

At Happy Valley, the Civil Service C.C. beat the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club by 29 shots. Scores—

Civil Service. Yacht Club.

J. C. Fletcher E. S. Abraham

C. E. Jones S. Deacon

J. R. Archibald P. W. Ramsay

J. Massey G. Edwards

(skip) 20 (skip) 20

S. Eccleshall Hammerton

L. E. Longbottom Bentley

L. Luck Carpenter

R. T. Taylor L. J. Davies

(skip) 26 (skip) 12

E. W. Simmonds E. I. Wynne-Jones

W. J. Bickford A. Murdoch

A. E. Murphy N. V. A. Croucher

A. B. Allan Shields

(skip) 29 (skip) 14

75 46

**K.B.G.C. v. TAIKOO R.C.**

Crossing over to Kowloon, the Taikoo R.C. lost to the Kowloon Bowling Green Club by 21 shots. Scores—

Bowling Green. Taikoo R.C.

Rundell Young

Hatt Cameron

Ferguson John Sloan

(skip) 22 (skip) 20

R. F. Drake R. Keown

Reed Stewart

Hall Craig

E. G. Roylance Sloan

(skip) 23 (skip) 18

H. Stonham D. Spiers

W. S. Cuff W. Spence

C. Hogbin E. Moore

T. Foster D. C. Walmsey

(skip) 25 (skip) 11

70 49

**C.S.C. v. CIVIL SERVICE.**

At King's Park, the Club de Recreio "A" defeated the Craigenhower C.C. by 43 shots. Scores—

Recreio "A". Craigenhower.

R. F. Luz W. Nicholson

C. A. Rodriguez D. K. Kharas

C. F. Silva W. Collins

L. C. R. Sousa D. Fritz

(skip) 20 (skip) 20

C. E. Marques A. E. Contes

H. Alves Y. Abbas

C. M. Alves A. A. Lewis

A. Ribeiro F. T. Knott

(skip) 35 (skip) 9

C. Vas F. K. Modi

F. X. Silva S. Flegg

C. A. Lopes J. T. Lunney

J. R. Ribeiro A. A. Razack

(skip) 25 (skip) 8

80 37

**E.P.R.C. v. RECREIO "B".**

At Causeway Bay, the East Point R.C. defeated the Club de Recreio "B" by 3 shots. Scores—

East Point. Recreio "B".

Baker A. Machado

R. Campbell A. Barros

A. K. Henderson J. Ribeiro

H. M. McTavish P. Yvanovich

(skip) 19 (skip) 25

H. Hampton A. Gomes

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MR. ORMSBY-GORE AND  
PRESS CRITICISM.  
"UNPOPULAR."

Singapore, June 2.  
A sharp reply to criticisms made by a Penang newspaper, and an admission that he is unpopular in Malaya owing to his comparisons between British and Dutch planters, were features of the last speech made by the Rt. Hon. Mr. W. G. A. Ormsby-Gore, Under Secretary for the Colonies, before leaving Penang by the "Malwa" for Colombo.

The occasion was a dinner given by the Penang Chinese Chamber of Commerce in honour of Mr. Ormsby-Gore, who dealt in his speech with various statements made in a leading article in the "Straits Echo," three times reiterating the fact that this newspaper is Chinese-owned, and strongly repudiating the suggestion that any changes were necessary in the political constitution of Malaya.

In the course of his speech Mr. Ormsby-Gore referred to the leading article in the "Straits Echo," and quoted the passage:—"The Colonial Under-Secretary seems to have found little time for anything else but education and rubber growing." Mr. Ormsby-Gore admitted that it was quite true that he devoted some time to the problems of education which are "not only peculiar to the land, but also to the whole world and always difficult." He had also given his attention to the premier agricultural industry.

"It is perhaps a pity," again quoted Mr. Ormsby-Gore, "that he has not been able to consider ways and means for encouraging some of the other tropical products for the production of which this country is well suited. It has been amply proved that oil palms can be grown very profitably here, and there is already a considerable amount of planting in progress. Mr. Ormsby-Gore might, we think, have impressed upon the Government the necessity for giving every encouragement to the establishment of products other than rubber. Oil palms are not the only product that could be cultivated. Tea could be grown profitably in this country but the prospective grower gets little encouragement."

#### What He Knows.

Without being concealed, said the speaker, he was in a better position than any writer in the "Straits Echo" to talk on the subject of oil palms and the like. He had probably seen more thousands than the Editor had seen—units; he had written and knew more about the topic than probably anyone in the room.

Again, "that much useful work of a scientific character has been accomplished in the Dutch Colonies must be admitted, but we refuse for one moment to believe that the rubber planting industry in the Dutch East Indies is in any way more advanced than it is here."

Mr. Ormsby-Gore said he had been too long trained in scientific research and possessed too close a knowledge of chemistry to be deceived. He was not informed by the Dutch, but had carried his investigations on his own authority and observations.

He maintained that the Dutch Indies were ahead of British Malaya. He was unpopular in British Malaya because he had said that British planters were not ahead of Dutch planters. But he still held that more science had been developed there than here. In the interests of those concerned, he would impart a warning that they must wake up.

#### No Such Thing.

Mr. Ormsby-Gore resumed his seat, but after the next speaker had finished he again rose, and holding up the "Straits Echo" said, there was one further point in the article "in this Chinese-owned paper" that he wished to refer to.

"And finally we hope that Mr. Ormsby-Gore has not omitted to notice the lack of cohesion in the administration of Malaya. There is no necessity for the seven different Governments and the seven-fold duplication which it involves in many quarters."

Dealing with this passage, Mr. Ormsby-Gore said, "It means that I ought to suggest some alteration in the constitution of British Malaya. I can do no such thing." The Colony was one unit and the Federated Malay states another. He wanted to say quite clearly that he was going to propose no change whatever in the constitution of the States—both federated and non-federated.

He would emphasize the point so that there might be no misunderstanding, not only among the Malay rulers but also among others in the Peninsula. He was quite sure there was no case for endeavouring to join the Federated and non-Federated Malay States. There was no reason why the States and

**STRUCK OFF.**  
SOLICITOR GUILTY OF  
MISCONDUCT.

SIR C. B. HERNE-SOAME.

The name of Sir Charles Buckworth Herne-Soame, Bart, formerly of Wellington and Dawley, Shropshire, was ordered by the committee constituted under the Solicitors' Acts to be struck off the Roll of Solicitors.

The committee found that he had been guilty of misconduct in respect of matters for which he was convicted at the Central Criminal Court on January 10 of conspiracy to defraud.

The conspiracy was the sharepushing swindle arising out of bogus reports in prospectuses concerning the Chalk Fuel, Power-Gas, and By-Products Corporation, Ltd., of which he was one of the directors.

The principal swindler was Col. E. O. Eaton, who was sentenced to four years' penal servitude. Sir C. B. Herne-Soame and Mr. R. G. Harley, another director, were each sentenced to six months' imprisonment in the second division.

William Wright, formerly of Leeds and Rothwell, Yorkshire, who was convicted of fraudulent conversion, was also ordered to be struck off the rolls.

#### Solicitor and Costs.

On the application of Mr. Jonah Stevens, Mr. Justice Astbury gave leave to serve a writ of attachment against Henry Harbridge Jennings, solicitor, for alleged failure to obey an order to deliver a bill of costs and a cash account.

Mr. Wright Taylor explained that Mr. Stevens was the executor of a poor old woman who died in St. Pancras almshouses in December 1926. She left a few hundred pounds and appointed Mr. Stevens, a retired court messenger, her executor. Mr. Jennings was employed by Mr. Stevens, and the order on him to deliver the bill of fees and disbursements with a cash account was made on February 6 last. This was a 14-day order, with which Mr. Jennings had not complied.

Mr. Justice Astbury: I am not surprised. You have got a respondent here that other people are after, too, you know.

Mr. Taylor said the notice of motion had been served on Mr. Jennings.

Mr. Justice Astbury: Does this man appear?

Mr. Taylor: I am told his clerk is in court. I ask you to issue the writ of attachment and let it lie in the office to give respondent time to deliver the bill of costs and accounts.

Mr. Justice Astbury: I don't know why I should let it lie in the office. He has had plenty of time. I will give you liberty to issue the writ of attachment.

The Colony should merge into one and the Peninsula, be governed by a Crown Government.

He would be wanting in his duty, if he did not make that quite clear. In spite of the fact that the position of the Federated Malay States and the non-Federated Malay States might be somewhat dissimilar on paper, these Governments were in fact making for the progress of the country. The suggestion in the last paragraph of the article conveyed in its suggestions which were fraught with controversy, most bitter and far-reaching, and the speaker wished to repudiate them absolutely.

#### The Editor's Comments.

In a leading article dealing with the speech above the "Straits Echo" says:—"The most discomfited individual in British Malaya to-day is the Editor of the "Straits Echo," who has surely created a precedent in Colonial journalism by having his paper, its policy and himself vehemently criticised by a British Minister of the Crown at a public function at which he (the Editor) was present as a guest.

We are frankly surprised and sorry that our suggestions and criticisms, put forward in no unfriendly spirit, should have evoked such a stinging report. The whole tenor of Mr. Ormsby-Gore's remarks were characterised by a vehemence which left no doubt as to the feeling with which he spoke, and his utterances were not of a character one usually associates with a friendly after-dinner speech. However, Mr.

Ormsby-Gore is leaving to-day for Ceylon, and we hope he will carry away with him only pleasant memories of his stay in the Peninsula, and we also hope that his visit has been beneficial and that he will be able to convey to his colleagues in London a favourable impression of the country as a whole, even though one paper, in the pursuit of what it honestly believed to be its duty to the public, unwittingly offended him.

#### KELLY & WALSH LTD.

##### FORTY-THIRD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

##### SATISFACTORY YEAR.

The 43rd annual general meeting of Messrs. Kelly and Walsh, Ltd., was held on the 5th Inst. at the registered offices of the company, 12 Nanking-road, Shanghai. Mr. R. W. Wedderburn presided and was supported by Messrs. A. W. Burkhill, A. E. Glover, and A. J. Waller, directors, and Mr. A. S. de Jesus, secretary. The attendance represented 25,185 shares.

After the notice convening the meeting had been read by the secretary, the chairman said:—"An advance of about seven weeks has been made in the time for holding this annual general meeting on that of last year, due mainly to the closing of books at the end of February instead of at the end of March as hitherto. This, you will recall, I mentioned at last year's meeting intimating that this year's accounts—1927-28—would, therefore, consist of 11 months only.

The report and accounts were posted on May 25, so that you have had ample time to consider this interesting and, I might add, highly satisfactory document and I presume that I may, as is customary, take them, as also the auditors' certificate, as read.

The accounts are presented in the same way as for last year, and, being clearly set out, little explanation is called for beyond the usual summarized remarks on the company's activities throughout the year.

The profits from our branches at Singapore and Hongkong show a decrease on the results of last year, even when viewed comparatively for 11 months as against 12. Nevertheless, the results may be considered satisfactory when the factor of adverse trading conditions throughout the Far East is borne in mind.

##### TRIBULATIONS OF OWNERSHIP.

The results at Shanghai, viewed also comparatively, compare favourably with those of last year. Again, I am pleased to say that the four accounts which appear under the heading "Gross profits for the period" all show credit balances, and it may interest you to know that the net profit represents approximately a return of 10 per cent. on the total value of the company's resources which, from the viewpoint of both customer and ourselves, establishes a fair and reasonable trading relationship.

Turning to the balanced sheet, you will notice that about \$5,000 have been expended on additions and alterations to our Nanking and Fung Road buildings: the sums thus expended represent what may be called the tribulations of property owning from which occasionally there is no escape. You will notice that more than the customary amount of depreciation has been allowed for against plant and machinery, and for furniture and fittings. Your directors consider the policy of depreciating these accounts liberally, especially the former, wise, as it enables the company to quote competitively and serves the purpose of a reserve against plant renewals.

Stock in trade shows a decrease of some \$5,000 over that of last year, and this reflects satisfactory purchasing on the part of the managers, and a continuance of that practice will always result to the company's benefit.

Sundry debts show a decrease of some \$35,000, attributable to the month of March credit sales being omitted from the accounts under review, but these will, of course, appear in the current year's accounts.

Turning to the liabilities side, the decrease of \$18,000 under "Sundry creditors" is due to consignment, authors' royalty, and other accounts, having been settled before the close of our financial year.

Last November, we opened a branch bookstore in the western district to meet the needs of our patrons there, and the results so far achieved show that the step has met with their appreciation and support.

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An interim dividend as you are

#### IN THE PARKS.

##### SHANGHAI PRIVILEGE FOR CHINESE.

##### BUND MOST POPULAR.

Shanghai, June 2.

From 11 o'clock yesterday morning an old bone of contention between foreign and Chinese relations was removed by the admission of Chinese into the parks of the Settlement. The admission charge for all comers of 10 coppers was then put into effect.

A visit paid to the Bund Gardens, Jessfield and Hongkew Parks early in the afternoon by a representative of the "North-China Daily News" was sufficient to prove that the idea was not catching on very rapidly in the latter parks, but that the Bund Gardens, a more centrally situated visiting place, were being used extensively by Chinese visitors.

Should other foreign business men propose coming to this city and our Governor has openly expressed his hope that they will be most advisable that they, or their principals, should previously notify the Governor of our province to this effect. Furthermore, if interpreters are brought in, make sure first of all that they are not also acting for other people in any way; e.g., as species for any neighbouring government.

Of course, the ideal plan would be for foreigners themselves to get a good working knowledge of Chinese language (Mandarin) and customs.

Wireless is also installed outside this city, and I am told that the authorities are thus able to get news from all parts of the country.

Yesterday a delegate from Szechuan, representing the Nanking Government, I understand, arrived here and was received with great ceremony.

Korene Oil Investigation.

The Government is making investigations at a place some ten miles east of this city with a view to

producing kerosene oil.

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would be so great that no profits would be obtained by any one trying to make it a business proposition.

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#### IN KUEICHOW.

##### GOVERNOR IN FAVOUR OF FOREIGN MERCHANTS.

##### NECESSARY PRECAUTIONS.

Kuoliang, Kuel, May 17.

Both the Ford car agent and the representative of Siemens have left Kuoliang, the one going south to Hong Kong, the other north to Chungking.

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#### MASONIC BUILDING.

##### AN AMERICAN TEMPLE FOR SHANGHAI.

##### IN FRENCH CONCESSION.

The corner stone of the American Masonic Temple, which is to be erected at the intersection of Route Dufour and Rue D'Arcos, was recently laid under the joint auspices of the lodges under the Massachusetts Constitution, the Scottish Rite, the Keystone Royal Arch Chapter, and the District Grand Lodge.

The interested bodies have subscribed the necessary funds and when the building is completed it will be fully paid for and there will be capital in hand. The actual ceremony was performed by Mr. A. Q. Adamson, Deputy District Grand Master, Mr. C. E. Larsen, Excellent Companion of the Keystone Chapter, and Illustrious Nelson E. Lurton, 33° Deputy Legate for the Scottish Rite.

Invitations were issued to all Masonic officers in Shanghai and a cordial invitation to attend was extended to all Masons. The general public, as well, was welcomed at the ceremony.

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## SILVER WEDDING.

MILLIONAIRE'S 70 GUESTS FROM U.S. TO PARIS.

ALL EXPENSES PAID.

Paris.—The biggest silver wedding celebration ever held took place in Paris last month. It was that of Mr. and Mrs. Walter May, of Pittsburgh, United States, who invited 70 guests from America.

Mr. May, who is a millionaire druggist, issued the following novel invitation:

You are invited to attend my Silver Wedding in Paris on April 27.

All your expenses will be paid, and I do not wish to receive anyone who pays a single dime (10 cents).

Mr. May's guests came over in the Cunard liner "Aquitania" and returned to the United States in the "Berengaria" on May 6.

The party stayed at the Grand Hotel, where Mr. May had retained practically the whole of the first floor.

He would not even allow his guests to buy a penny stamp at their own expense and he had given instructions to his large secretarial staff that none of the guests was to be allowed to pay anything whatsoever under any pretext.

The hotel bills and travelling expenses were covered by Mr. May's staff and 100 dollars (\$20) a day was handed to each guest for out-of-pocket expenses such as taxi-fares, tips, and entertaining in their personalities in Paris.

All visits to the theatre and opera as well as motor-car tours were arranged by the secretarial, who had orders to meet all such expenditure even if it involved motor-car trips to the battlefields or to any other places in France.

Mr. May entertained his guests to a silver wedding banquet at an American restaurant. They sat at a horseshoe table facing a raised platform which might have been erected for an Oriental potentate, but which served as a stage for a special revue. Champagne flowed like water and there was a bar near at hand for cocktails and sundry drinks.

An army of photographers snapped the guests, who did justice to the following Franco-American menu:

Dry Martini.

Caviar Romanoff.

Consonné Sarah Bernhardt.

Truites au Bleu-Beurre fondue.

Château Yquem 1922.

Ris de Venu Gôrdier.

Dinde Poêlée Souvaroff.

Château La Mission Haut-Brion

1916 mis en Château

Magnum.

Fonds d'artichauts trufflés.

Asperges vertes, Sauce Hollandaise.

Poêlée 1919. Magnums.

Gâteau Thibet.

After the jazz music which accompanied the meal, "The Star-Spangled Banner" and "The Marcellaise" were played and everybody drank Mr. and Mrs. May's health.

Gift For Every Guest.

All the guests found valuable gifts of jewels under their napkins when they sat down to the meal. The women had bangles and brooches and the men gold and platinum cigarette-holders and cases.

At 10 o'clock, when the guests were seated, Mr. and Mrs. May were placed in communication by wireless telephone with Pittsburgh and received the congratulations of their relatives and friends who had remained behind in the United States.

Mr. and Mrs. May declared that they were tired but very happy.

## CANDY TRADE.

TUCKSHOP FINED FOR CARRYING JAPANESE SWEETS.

If the Tsian affair has done nothing else it at least has reawakened a large number of Chinese to the importance of developing local manufactures. The inquiries and investigations that resulted from the decision to enforce the severance of economic relations with Japan revealed to the authorities and heads of organisations supervising the boycott that merchants are practically entirely dependent upon some Japanese goods, the production of which could quite easily be handled locally.

There is, for instance, the large import trade in Japanese candies and sweets, which of late years have taken so great a hold on this market that local manufacturers were forced to close down their factories. The Chinese Candy Manufacturing Co., Ltd., which ceased operations quite a long time ago, is now considering a resumption of business, and to that end a shareholders' meeting has been called. The Minister of Industry and Commerce has instructed two representatives to come to Shanghai to confer with the direc-

tors, and the latter are looking forward to the co-operation and assistance of the Government in helping the industry to regain its lost trade. The factory will probably be working within the next fortnight.

The Anti-Japanese Committee of the University of Communications discovered that the school store had two large parcels of Japanese candies and had asked those in charge to pay a fine of \$60, besides asking the authorities to issue a reprimand.

A representative from the Candy and Sugar Dealers Association interviewed the Japanese candy firms with a view to negotiating for the cessation of orders for Japanese candies in compliance with the order of the Anti-Japanese Atrocities Committee. It was reported that the Japanese merchants were strongly in agreement upon strict adherence to contracts and that, therefore, no definite settlement was reached.

The candy dealers accordingly wrote to the Anti-Japanese Committee asking for instructions.—*N. C. Daily News.*

## THE OATH.

WHY IT SHOULD NOT BE ABOLISHED.

[By John Blunt.]

A county court judge last Thursday remarked that he would like to see the witness's oath abolished on the ground that:

"When there is a crowded court people gabble it off one after another, and it is irreverent and undignified. If witnesses are going to lie they will do so whether the oath is taken or not."

Now when I hear of a proposal to abolish an ancient custom I always ask myself first how it originated. Many old rules have been so successful in eradicating those evils is forgotten. Then the rules begin to seem pointless and are abolished; and the evils creep back.

Now the oath is the oldest thing in our judicial procedure. In the earliest form of criminal trial there was always some sort of appeal to God. It might be by the ordeal; it might be by the simple process of calling on the accused to swear to his innocence, and to get a sufficient number of his friends to swear with him. The principle was the same; there was a belief that divine intervention would cause a guilty man to fail in the ordeal, or to make some mistake in the oath, which was an intricate and complicated one.

## Justice is Divine.

The point I want to emphasise by this little digression into history is simply that the oath came into our judicial system as an assertion of the principle that justice is divine, is this principle any less valuable to-day?

The Royal Arms over the judge's head remind the witness that behind the Court is the authority of the King. Is it not well to remind him also that the Law claims the authority of God?

The respect that we all feel for a court of justice cannot be separated from the solemnity of its proceedings. The judge's robes are a part of that solemnity, and do not fail of their impressive effect; there is no reason why the oath should not be equally solemn. The gabbling can be, and should be, stopped.

I know that there are many witness whose simple word is above suspicion. I know that there are others who attach no sanctity to an oath, and who can only be prevented from lying; they are prevented by the fear of prosecution.

But I know also, that, for most men, including many who are not religious men, the taking of an oath is a grave matter. Though they know a lie is wrong, they are not ashamed of telling an occasional "white lie." But there is no such thing as a white perjury. The oath reminds these men that a lie told in a court of justice is a grave crime in the sight of the Law, and, if they have any religious sense, a grave in the sight of God.

If it induces one witness to tell the truth, who would otherwise have lied, the oath is justified.—*Daily Mail.*

SIR HERBERT SAMUEL.

Sir Herbert Samuel, who, with Lady Samuel, returned from a three weeks' holiday in Greece described his experience in the Corinth earthquake.

He was staying at a small sea-side resort near Corinth, when at midnight the buildings began to vibrate, causing some alarm.

The hotel authorities asked the guests to go out into the square in front of the hotel in case the building should collapse. With the other guests Sir Herbert and Lady Samuel quickly left and remained in the open for about a quarter of an hour, until the worst of the tremors had passed.

## BRITISH SCULPTORS.

BURLINGTON HOUSE TOO SMALL FOR FAIR SHOW.

ART SUFFERERS.

The Royal Academy galleries are much too small. Royal Academicians sympathize with the protests of artists who complain of the cramped condition. But they are unable to suggest a remedy.

Sir William Goscombe John, the sculptor, who has been a full Academician for 20 years and was an Associate for ten years before, told the "Evening Standard":

"Sculpture is insufficiently represented at the Royal Academy exhibitions. Much consideration has been given to the problem, but we find that there are most serious constructional obstacles in the way of an enlargement of the building.

"Our galleries in Burlington House were erected in the sixties, and the output of national art has grown constantly since then.

"The result is that the proportion of work exhibited to work done grows smaller and smaller as time goes on.

How British Art Suffers.

"Sculptors must not think that there is any lack of sympathy among Academicians. No one feels the position more keenly than the members of the Academy.

"Painter members outnumber the sculptors, but they still have every consideration for us. As the building is at present, the sculpture section cannot be enlarged without encroaching unfairly on the space allotted to other branches of art.

"I believe that British sculpture has suffered because of the inadequacy of Academy space.

"Sculptors also complain that their works are chosen to harmonise with one another in our galleries, and not on their intrinsic merits.

Inherent Difficulty.

"I am afraid there is a good deal in that, but there again we have to be guided by the structural formation of our building. The pieces of sculpture in any one room have to present an agreeable aspect as a whole. That is why we have to balance perhaps, a white bust in one corner with another white bust in the other.

"That is an inherent difficulty when one tries to arrange works of art in a gallery or a drawing room. In the Paris Salon, which is, of course, a vast hall, the same limitations do not apply."

A public protest has been made against the restrictions on sculpture in the Academy by Mr. Alfred Bowker, the London solicitor and Winchester ex-Mayor, who exhibits sculpture regularly at Burlington House.

"Sculptors are passing through a period of severe depression," he says, in appealing for the popularisation of the art.

## ROBBER CHASE.

CHINESE COOK MORTALLY WOUNDED IN SHANGHAI.

During the course of an engagement between the police and robbers on June 5 about 4 p.m. on Canton-road, Shanghai, a Chinese pedestrian was fatally shot. He died at 9.30 p.m. in the Lester Chinese Hospital. According to the account of those concerned a Chinese constable on duty at the intersection of Honan-road with Avenue Edward VII, was informed that two armed robbers had just boarded a north-bound bus. He gave chase, and at Canton-road, as he was about to board the vehicle, saw a man leap through the window on the off-side. Before chasing the man, he shouted to another constable on duty there, that a second robber was on the bus.

The chase continued down Canton-road. The constable fired one shot and then renewed his efforts to overtake the man, finally bringing him down. The other constable caught sight of the second man, and overtook him without recourse to his pistol. When they had reassembled, they found the wounded man, who, it was ascertained later, is a cook in a Chinese hospital on Avenue Edward VII.

An inquest will be held.

The civil marriage of Mr Michael Arden, author of "The Green Hat" and other novels, and the Countess Atalanta Merrell took place recently at the British Vice-Consulate at Cannes. The bride and bridegroom set a fashion for marriages by driving up to the Consulate without hats. The bride, who wore a navy-blue foulard dress and carried a bouquet of white roses, walked in unshaved, followed a minute later by her mother, Baroness von Pfuel. Mr. Arden is 32 and an Armenian by birth. His bride is 25. Her father was for some years Lord Chamberlain to the King of the Hellenes.

## CHINA'S UNITY.

PROBLEM STILL TO BE SOLVED.

FINANCE & DISBANDMENT.

The following was written by George E. Sokolsky in the "N. C. Daily News":

The end of the Northern Expedition finds China faced with the same problem of unification. At present, the capital is in Nanking, for the Nationalists and their allies, the Kuomintang and Shansi, recognise that Nanking is the seat of authority. But it is not altogether clear whether Shansi and the Kuomintang will accept Nanking dictatorship or whether they will insist upon the removal of the capital to Peking. Their attitude towards this, particular question, will in very marked degree, be indicative of their attitude towards the Nanking Government.

At this moment, China is divided into parts as follows:

Nanking: Chekiang, Kiangsu, Kiangnan and Anhui.

Navy: Fukien.

Kwangsi group: Kwangtung,

Kwangnan, Hunan and Hupeh.

Kuomintang: Kansu, Shensi, Honan and Shantung.

Shansi: Shansi, Charhar, Suiyuan, Tatung, and Chihli including Peking.

Mukden: Three Eastern Provinces.

Yunnan, Kueichow, Szechuan

and Sinkiang fall to none of these groups although all of them probably now fly the Nationalist flag.

Taxable Areas and Ports.

It will be noted that the areas are about equal in influence, each group consisting of a combination of rich and poor provinces. Each group has at least one important opening to the sea and one lucrative tax area. This can be analysed as follows under the names of the commanding official:

Lucrative Tax Area.

Port to Sea

Chiang Kai-shek

Kiangsu

Navy

Foochow

Li Chi-sen

Canton

Pei Chung-hsi

Hankow

Feng Yu-hsiang

Tsingtao

Yen Hsi-shan

Tientsin

Chang Tao-jin

Manchuria

Dairen

From this, it will be seen that although Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang did most of the fighting and is largely responsible for the Nationalist victory, he has received the least taxable area and the least profitable port. If China is to be unified and the taxes nationally collected and the expenditures budgeted, this does not matter. Tu-chunism in any form will cease to exist and no commander of troops will be troubled by the necessity for funds. But if this division of territory implies independent tax collection, then Marshal Feng is inadequately provided for and that will undoubtedly lead to trouble.

Feng Won the War.

The position of Marshal Feng is pivotal in the politics of the day. He has won the war. With the exception of the 4th Army, none of Nanking's troops showed any capacity for staff work or for fighting. Feng Yu-hsiang saved Chiang Kai-shek's forces at Hsichow, Tsinling and Tsinan. He captured the outskirts of Tsinan before Nan-

king's armies reached Tsinan. His troops were never involved in the quarrel with the Japanese at Tsinan, the 4th, 40th and 9th Nan-king armies being largely responsible, with occasional sniping by Chen Tiao-yuan's troops along the Shantung Railway. After the Tsinan Incident, Feng Yu-hsiang's troops continued the advance northward, while the Nanking troops retreated to Tsinan and Hsichowfu. His crack troops under General Lu Chung-lin were in front of Machang when the armistice was arranged. In all this fighting since last August, he has lost 8,000 men. His 1st Kuomintang group of 30,000 men has remained intact and is still the best fighting force and the most mobile army in China. Whereas Chiang Kai-shek has added mere numbers to his army until he had 180,000 men between Hsichowfu and Tsinan, Feng Yu-hsiang has added no troops, but has kept his army fit.

The Nanking Government is now faced with the serious problem of establishing its asserted national authority. If it becomes the recognized national Government—not recognized by foreign Powers, but by the provinces of China, then China will ipso facto be unified and a new era entered upon.

If, on the other hand, there is a prolongation of regionalism, then there will have to be more wars until either China is unified and centralized or the rights of the provinces are recognized.

The Struggle Over Taxes.

The issue over which this struggle will eventually be taxation. At present the Nationalist Government collects taxes in four provinces



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### A CLAIRVOYANTE.

#### STARTLING CLAIMS FOR WOMAN IN GERMAN COURT.

#### SEES CRIME IN TRANCE.

A trial began at Insterburg (East Prussia) on April 30 which promises to throw light on the judicial and scientific status of clairvoyance.

The case is an appeal by the Public Prosecutor from a verdict of acquittal given by a lower court at Insterburg last year, and occultist experts are to be called.

But the most interesting feature of the affair is the personality of the alleged clairvoyante, Frau Elsa Gunther-Geffers.

The career of this woman, as possessor of "second sight," began at the age of four, when she rushed from bed at Neuviertel and startled a big family group with the announcement, "A house is in flames and bells are tolling." Four days later, according to her account in court, the Cathedral at Neuviertel was burnt to the ground.

As she grew up she became widely known as the "Sibyl of Memelland." She was even sought after by the local police for the detection of criminals, in which she achieved some well attested success. She is able to produce written testimonies by a landowner and a Judge to the effect that she named two murderers, who were subsequently condemned, a Berlin correspondent informs the "Morning Post."

#### MISSING BODY FOUND.

Her gifts first brought her into conflict with the law when she began to use them professionally after her husband had lost his money in the "inflation" era. It was the Public Prosecutor who brought her into Court, and remarkable evidence was given.

The Court was particularly struck by the case of a coachman who had disappeared. The woman was taken to the inn, where she was last seen and fell into her usual trance. She walked along the road to a lake, where she declared that the body was lying in a bent position with the hat on the head. The lake was immediately searched without result, but four months later the body was found there, wedged in a pipe, exactly in the position described.

Faced by such evidence as this, the Court acquitted the woman of fraud, with a rider to the effect that the presence of supernatural gifts was not established, but that she undoubtedly became possessed of mysterious knowledge in a way which could not be accounted for.

A strong point in her favour is that she expressly disclaims infallibility. She declared in Court that when she has a problem to solve she falls into a trance during which she makes statements of which she has no subsequent recollection. The explanation of her gifts, she said, was a matter for the scientists to determine, but it

appeared to her that what took place was a "cleavage of her ego." A police sergeant was brought from a remote village, to whom alone of those present in court, were known the details of a theft committed recently in his district. The thief has not yet been discovered, and his name is still unknown to the police.

The problem given to the medium was to reconstruct the crime and to name the criminal. After the Court had been cleared of the public she was given a seat in the centre of the hall, into which the sun was shining brightly, so that the environment was not exactly favourable for occult operations.

She began by staring for some minutes at a match which she held between her eyes. Presently her head sank back, her eyes glared vacantly upward. The experts were satisfied that she had fallen into a genuine trance.

Dr. Thoma, a Viennese hypnotist, who was in charge of the experiment, asked her, "Do you hear me?" "I do," she replied. Whereupon the police sergeant began questioning her.

Stuttering Replies. "When was the theft?" The medium, whose replies were given in a weird, stuttering voice, answered, "February."

"What do you see?" inquired Dr. Thoma. "Silver objects. Glitter," was the reply.

The Police Sergeant—Where was it?—Last building. Dr. Thoma—Go, go on!—Several entrances and exits.

Dr. Thoma—Quite right, but go on!—Where are you taking me? Large hall. High chairs. Much dark furniture. Furniture carved.

Police Sergeant—What is the name of the owner?—Prefix "Von." Quite dark furniture. Deep chairs. Seat in front of long object. Middle size.

How old is he?—Nearly seventy. During further questions and answers the medium was seen to thrust her hands forward like a blind person groping.

She stated that in addition to the silver objects a fur had been stolen; that the thief had entered by a window; that the room contained food and regalia; that the thief ate some meat there and drank something.

At length Dr. Thoma asked, "Can you give us the name of the thief?"

"Two syllables," was the reply. Dr. Thoma—Well, then. Medium, with much difficulty—Dumke. (This she wrote down): Name Given.

Police Sergeant—Who owns the property?—Two syllables.

The medium then muttered vaguely, and finally wrote down, rather indistinctly, "Von Reibnitz." Then she was gradually awakened from her trance.

Her statement had been almost without exception true. The

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—he wasnt quite sure whether he liked any of them—

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—he came back to CAPSTAN and—

—not for long he soon lost his head to another and—

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## DERBY FILM.

Being Rushed Off to India.  
 "PRINCESS XENIA."

Duchess of Bedford a Passenger on the Trip.

London, Yesterday. The aeroplane, "Princess Xenia," piloted by Captain C. D. Barnard and Flying Officer E. H. Allott Elth, with the Duchess of Bedford as a passenger and a large cargo, including the film of the Derby, started on a flight from Lympne to India at 4.30 this morning.

"Princess Xenia" is the machine in which Captain McIntosh and Colonel FitzMaurice attempted to cross the Atlantic last year, and in which McIntosh and Bert Hinkler made a non-stop flight to Poland.

The present flight is being made in four hops—Sofia, Aleppo, Bushire, Karachi—with a view to demonstrating the practicability of an eight-day flight to India and back.

The cargo, the weight of which is  $2\frac{1}{2}$  tons, is the first British air cargo carried to India. It consists particularly of food, cigarettes and the Derby film, and is intended for Karachi.—Reuter.

## LABOUR SENSATION.

TOM WALSH IN THE ROLE OF PACIFIST.

## PEACE UNION.

London, Yesterday. A sensation was created in Labour circles on Saturday by the announcement that Tom Walsh, ex-Secretary of the Australian Seamen's Union, has decided to join the Industrial Peace Union.

Walsh was one of the most militant left wing Trade Union Leaders in the Commonwealth, and has had a very stormy career. This decision, cabled to the Industrial Peace Union in Britain, which was founded by Havelock Wilson, means that Walsh's attitude and views have completely changed.

The cable mentions that his wife, formerly Adela Pankhurst, daughter of the ex-Suffragist leader, proposes to organise a branch of the Industrial Peace Union among Australian women. She asks that credentials be sent her from the English Executive. The latter has cabled back, warmly welcoming the proposal.—Reuter.

## SALT SMUGGLING.

CANTON GOVERNMENT TAKING DRASIC STEPS.

## A HAUL.

Measures are being taken to stop the increasing amount of salt smuggling that is alleged to be taking place on the river steamers plying between Canton and Hong Kong.

As a result of a warning from the Canton Government, searches are being conducted on the various steamers, and this morning steps were taken on board the s.s. "Kong Ning," a great quantity being found cleverly hidden in many places.

About 800 packets of a large size were found and immediately thrown overboard into harbour. Most of the smuggled goods were found hidden between the ceiling of the cabins and the ceiling of the deck.

The "China Mail" learns from reliable sources that the Canton Government has issued a warning to all shipping firms whose vessels run between Canton and Hong Kong, to the effect that if any salt is found on the vessels in question, the salt and vessel will be confiscated.

The smugglers are thought in all probability to be members of the crew of the vessels, and the method employed by them is, when the opportunity presents itself secretly to hide the goods, and when half way up the river to Canton, transfer the salt to junks waiting expressly for the purpose. Very heavy duty is placed on salt by the Cantonese Government, and this is the main cause of the smuggling.

## THE "ITALIA."

Authentic Message Received.

## IN TOUCH WITH AIRSHIP.

Italia's Crew Alive: Provisions to Be Dropped.

Rome, Saturday. A message from the "Citta di Milano" states that the vessel maintained radio communication for twenty minutes with the "Italia" yesterday evening. The latter is apparently to the eastern extremity of the north-east island off Spitzbergen.

Amundsen is of opinion that the foregoing report is more likely to be true than the other recent reports.

King's Bay, June 9. The "Citta di Milano" has received a wireless message from the Italia defining her position as 80.15 degrees north, 22 degrees east.

All aboard the "Italia" are alive.

## REICHL DIFFICULTIES.

Oslo, Yesterday.

It is thought unlikely that the airmen going to the rescue of the "Italia" will be able to land, as their flying boats cannot alight on ice. They will however be able to drop provisions to General Nobile.

Experts believe it will be very difficult for an ordinary steamer to force its way to the eastern end of North East Island, where the "Italia" is stranded.

Owing to public interest, the prohibition on the issue of Sunday papers here has been temporarily lifted.

Sealers in the Ice.

London, Yesterday. The steam sealer "Braganza," en route to rescue the "Italia," has encountered thick ice at Mesel Bay. The sealer "Hobby" is half a degree northward and it is hoped that the strong wind which is blowing will force the floating ice pack in a favourable direction.

The "Hobby" has advised Captain Larsen, who is waiting to fly to the rescue, not to leave King's Bay.

Moscow, June 10. The sailing of the Soviet expedition to rescue the "Italia" has been suspended pending definite information in regard to the position of the "Italia."

Washington, June 10. Mr. Robinson, Chairman of the Federal Radio Commission, has requested all wireless stations in the 500 metres of the "Italia's" frequency, to remain silent so that the lost dirigible's signals may be heard.

Off to the "Italia."

King's Bay, Later. Larsen flew this morning in the "Hobby" to endeavour, with the Norwegian airmen, Lieut. Holm, to find the "Italia" which had been wirelessly by the "Citta di Milano" definitely giving her position as 80-30 north, 28 east.—Reuter.

## ADVERTISING.

NEWSPAPERS THE BEST MEDIA.

## VALUE TO HOTELS.

Newspapers and magazines are the best media for advertising hotels, declared Major Isidore Salmon, Conservative M.P. for Harrow, addressing the first annual conference of the Hotels and Restaurants Association on May 6 at the Savoy Hotel, Strand.

Major Salmon, who is managing director of Messrs. J. Lyons and Co., Ltd., declared that the advantages of such publications were obvious. He said:

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## DRINKS TABOO.

Manila Goes Dry For Two Days.

## ELECTION LAW.

No Intoxicating Liquor on Poll Day or During Vote Counting.

Manila, June 3.

Although local weather prophets predicted considerable moisture for Manila and surrounding country beginning with the first days of the month of roses, the authorities indicated that the "dope" was all wrong. They went so far as to say that the period beginning at 12.01 a.m. to-day and ending either late Tuesday night or early Wednesday morning will be the driest "spell" ever occurring in the roseate history of the Pearl of the Orient.

While rain-makers look to the future for their reasons, the police base their claims upon the past as detailed in a small green pamphlet entitled "The General Election Law," published in 1928.

Section 416 reads, in part:—The DRINKING, sale, dispensing or offering of intoxicating liquors shall be absolutely prohibited... on the two days immediately preceding the day of voting, on the day of voting, and during the entire time of the counting of votes.

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